REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

By this Amendment, the specification is amended. This Amendment has been made to include a sequence listing, filed in accordance with 37 CFR 1.821-1.825. This Amendment is also submitted to better conform the application to United States practice by including the proper sequence identification numbers (SEQ ID NOs) for five sequences located on page 47, lines 5-32. The sequences were included elsewhere in the originally filed application with the proper SEQ ID NOs; however, their SEQ ID NOs were inadvertently omitted when these same sequences were cited later. These amendments are reflected in the sequence listing. No new matter has been added.

It is respectfully submitted that the application is in good form for initial examination on the merits. Accordingly, prompt and favorable examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further is desirable in order to place the application in even better condition for initial examination and allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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